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To the Assistant Commissioner of Patents
Transmitted herewith for filing is the patent application of:Inventors: **Tatsuya USAMI**

Corresponding to Japanese Patent Application No. 2003-019411 filed on January 28, 2003, the entirety of which application is hereby expressly incorporated by reference in the accompanying application.

Title: SEMICONDUCTOR DEVICE WITH IMPROVED RELIABILITY AND MANUFACTURING METHOD OF THE SAME

Enclosed are:

28 Pages of Specification containing 16 claims

9 Sheets of formal Drawings Abstract of the Disclosure

Submission of English translation of prior provisional application under 37 CFR 1.78(a)(5)

Newly executed Oath or Declaration/Power of Attorney

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 Deletion of inventor(s). A signed statement attached deleting inventor(s) named in the prior application (see 37 CFR 1.63 (d)(2) and 1.33(b))

Applicant claims small entity status under 37 C.F.R. § 1.27

Application Data Sheet under 37 C.F.R. § 1.76

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Information Disclosure Statement (IDS) w/PTO-1449 - Copy of IDS citations

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CD-ROM or CD-R in duplicate, large table or Computer Program (Appendix)

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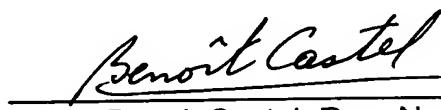
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